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DAIRY DEVELOPMENT IN JHARKHAND AND BIHAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a huge potential of dairy development in Jharkhand and Bihar; and

(b) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): Apart from various Dairy development Schemes/programmes being implemented by the respective State Governments, the Ministry of Agriculture is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme namely `Integrated Dairy Development Project` (IDDP) in Non Operation Flood, hilly and backward areas of the country on 100% grant-in-aid basis to the State Governments.Based on their requirements, six projects have been sanctioned for the State of Bihar under IDDP since 1993-94 at a total outlay of Rs.1384.17 lakhs and Government of India has released an amount of Rs.641.72 lakhs upto 31-3-2003.The projects are at various stages of implementation. A project under IDDP which was earlier sanctioned for undivided Bihar, included four districts of Jharkhand, has since been separated and is currently being implemented by the Government of Jharkhand with a total approved outlay of Rs.364.50 lakhs against which Government of India has released Rs.264.59 lakhs upto 31-3-2003.A project proposal under the scheme National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding in Bihar with an estimated cost of Rs.4347.03 Lakhs was received but was not in conformity with the guidelines of the Scheme. The State Government has been requested to revise the proposal.For fodder development, this Ministry has provided 15000 and 6600 minikits to the States of Bihar & Jharkhand respectively, during 2002-03. National Dairy Development Board has reported that they have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Jharkhand to support dairy development.